DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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Henry D. Palmier USS BULKELEY DDG 84 Unit 100319 Box 1 FPO AE 09565

SUBJECT: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (DON-NAVY-2023-014631)

Dear Mr. Palmier:

This letter is in response to your request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), assigned tracking number DON-Navy-2023-014631, dated August 09, 2023, for information pertaining to a traffic accident that occurred on Naval Station Rota on August 02, 2023.

The following documents are provided in their entirety as responsive to your request:

• Traffic Incident Report #234612900106

The following documents are provided with redactions, pursuant to the following FOIA exemptions: exemption (b)(6) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, which protects information pursuant to personal privacy and exemption (b)(7)(c) which protects personal privacy with regards to law enforcement information. My review included consideration of the "foreseeable harm standard" (i.e., that information which might technically fall within an exemption should not be withheld from a FOIA requester unless the agency can identify a foreseeable harm or legal bar to disclosure).

In accordance with Navy policy, all fees have been waived.

I am the official responsible for the partial denial of your request. If you have any questions, please contact me: Region Legal Service Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, Lieutenant Denisa Horne at DSN 727-1536 or Denisa.m.horne.mil@us.navy.mil.

You have the right to an appeal. It must be received (i.e., post-marked) within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Please provide the appellate authority (see below) the following in an envelope marked "FOIA appeal":

- a letter requesting an appeal that explains what you are appealing with any supporting arguments or reasons you think may be worthy of consideration;
- a copy of your initial request;
- a copy of the letter of denial.

Also, please provide me a copy of your appeal letter at Region Legal Service Office Europe, Africa, Central, PSC 819 BOX 2, FPO, AE 09645-0001.

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Please mail your appeal to:

The Judge Advocate General (Code 14) 1322 Patterson Avenue SE, Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

If you have any questions, please contact the FOIA coordinator at mariamaddalena.mi.it@eu.navy.mil and +39 081-568-2975. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at christopher.a.julka@navy.mil, (703)697-0031. In addition, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) provides a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). For more information, go to https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information.

Sincerely,

D. M. HORNE

Lieutenant, U.S. Navy By direction of the

Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. CLEOC CCN 234612900106